METHODIST MINISTERS.

Proceedings of the Annual Conference at Winchester,

Sabbath Observances-The Sunday School Anniversary Proceedings.

WINCHESTER, VA., Mar. 9.—The confer-ence, after the usual religious exercises, had the minutes read, which were adopted. The Rev. Thomas Myers requested that his relation be changed from effective to supernumerary, which was granted.

The Rev. J. B. Stitt presented the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society. It recognized the deeds of kindness and words of helpfulness from the members of the conference. The amount raised was \$4,630.60, which was an advance over last year. This society is becoming a factor of such importance in the work of saving the heathen that it cannot be ignored under any circumstances, and those who formerly were indifferent to it are now its strongest supporters.

The report on temperance was presented and read. The outlook of the cause at this hour is encouraging. The growing sentiment, which has already given local option laws to a large portion of territory, cannot be overvalued. It is evident that prohibition will be eventually secured either by local option. eventually secured either by local option by an amendment to the constitution. Our opposition is as ever pronounced and un-yielding against the sale and traffic in intoxi-cating liquors. That we heartly indorse the option movement, and will fearlessly and faithfully cuforce the discipline or the subject of temperance. That we indorse the Maryland State Temperance Alliance and the Woman's Christian Temperance union as most influential organizations, worthy of the fullest co-operation and support of our people.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE. The committee on Sabbath observance re-

whereas the Sabbath commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead, suggests a fitture rest for the people of God, gives rich opportunity for the instruction of all things moral and spiritual, subserves in the highest degree the welfare of the community and nation; and Whereas a few public teachers are found to agree in favor of its tex observance, a number of professed Christ ans seem to have little or no conscience concerning its sancity, and mulitudes openly violate its holiness in pleasure or profit; therefore,

Resolved. That we are in full symmetric states. ported, first:

Resolved. That we are in full sympathy with all efforts to maintain its observance, both as a divine and civil institution.

Resolved. That we will, as a body of ministers, set a pure example, and with increasing earnestness enforce the teaching of the Bible on this subtest.

Resolved. That we condemn the carrying and destribution of the meits; running of cars, either by steam or horses; publishing, buying, or reading secular newspapers, and all other infractions of God's holy time, as des ribed in the moral law, "Remember the Sablath day to keep it holy."

Resolved. That we express again our unqualified condemnation of all camp meeting associations which agree to receive rebate from railroad Sunday travel.

The following resolution was substituted for

the last one of the report : Resolved. That we express our unqualified con-demnation of all camp meeting associations which agree to receive rebate from railroad Sun-day travel, and urge our people and preachers to discounterance all camp meetings that continue such peactices.

The report was then adopted.

The Rev. J. M. Freeman, the assistant corresponding secretary of the Sunday School union, addressed the conference on the subject of tracts, their circulation, and the effect of such distribution upon the probationers and members of the church if properly done. The Rev. Dr. S. M. Hunt, a member of the book concern at New York, addressed the conference, and showed that the Sunday school papers were as cheap and cheaper than the most of the Sunday school literature pub-lished. He stated at length that a reduction of price was a reduction of grade and the pro-ducing of inferior papers.

Rev. Job Price stated that he knew of

prominent Sunday schools that used the pub-lications of other publishing houses than our own, and that he was almost tired of trying to counteract the disposition of introducing for-eign cheap lesson helps and aids. Report was made on the Kelso home, which

is designed to accommodate the orphans of Methodist parentage, and represented it in a prosperous condition. Rev. E. D. Owen, D.D., Rev. A. M. Courtenay, B. F. Parlet, and A. M. Courtenay, B. F. Parlet, and ge W. Conner were appointed by the bishop as advisory members of the board of managers.

Rev. Dr. Lanahan presented a report, on re-

ducing the number of presiding elders dis-tricts from five to four, giving facts in regard to other conferences where the appointments numbered more than our own when it is divided into four districts. Revs. Dr. Reilley, J. N. Davis, T. Myers, Dr. A. H. Ames, L. M. Gardner, D. B. Winstead, Drs. J. H. Dashiell. A. J. Gill, D. H. Carroll, and W. I. McKenny, Joel Brown, H. M. Nice, and C. H. Richardson discussed the question pro and con, and on motion of Rev. C. H. Richardson the whole question of the reduction of the districts was referred to the godly judgment of the bishop.

A resolution in regard to the bequest

\$10,000 of John Gorsuch, the interest of which was to be given to the worn out preachers and widows, is now in peril, one of the heirs try-ing to nullify the bequest, and the Preachers' Aid society was requested to assume the de-fense, was adopted.

The fourth-year class filed a protest against a written examination on Butler's analogy The protest created considerable discussion Rev. J. P. Wright, who proposed a written examination, defended it on the ground that it will eventuate in a higher standard of at-

The Rev. Dr. Reilley also approved of it and stated there was no class upon which it

could be better tried.

A resolution was offered as a substitute for the motion that they be excused from a written examination, and that they be allowed to pass an oral examination, and hereafter the conference adopt a uniform method of ex-amining all the candidates of the course of study, which was adopted, and a committee, consisting of the Revs. Dr. Dashiell, Dr. Reilly, and Job Price, was appointed to carry out the object. Revs. Mr. Hilton, of Colorado; Mr. James, Mr. Denny, and Mr. Gilbert were in-

James, Mr. Denny, and Mr. Gilbert were introduced to the conference.

The memorial services of those who died last year, viz, Mrs. Boggs, wife of Rev. H. Boggs, and the Rev. E. S. Forte, were fixed for Monday, at 11 s. m.

The anniversary of the missionary of the Methodist Episcopal church was held last evening (March 9), and Bishop H. H. Warren pressible. Able and appropriate addresses

presided. Able and appropriate addresses were delivered by the Revs. S. H. Dashiell, D. D., and A. M. Courteney.

After the usual notices were given the con-P. S.—The Rev. W. S. Edwards, it is thought, will be sent to McK-adree, Rev. Joel Brown to Grace, and Rev. McKendree Hammack to

Bindensburg, Md.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY. The exercises were introduced by singing the hymn 919, "Jesus shall reign wherever the sun" &c., and prayer by Rev. H. R. Naylor, D. D. After singing "By Cool Siloam's Shady Rill," the Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., president of the conference branch of this so ciety, made some appropriate remarks, in which he said he was quite sure that there was no more important work than that of the sunday school, or that of morally molding the hearts of the children of the church and

the community.

The Rev. J. M. Freeman, D. D., the assistant secretary of the Sunday School union, of the M. E. churchs addressed the very large congregation present by saying. "Some one has said that the object of the Sunday school conversion. This is not all; there is some-ing more important than conversion. is simply the beginning and not e consummation, for some have fallen om grace. Hence the great aim or tal is the molding and building up of aristian character. When this has been Christian character. When this has been accomplished, then it may be said the end is reached." He said not all the conversions of children could be traced to the Sunday school alone; because the instruction of a Christian home, the prayers of a Christian mother and father have had considerable to do in many cases. Then, again, the pulpit has also had some influence in this work, and many a conversion has been traced to the pulpit, The

Sunday school must not be lifted up above the home and pulpit. But the children from homes where there is cursing

children from homes where there is cursing instead of prayer; children converted coming from such places may be wholly said to be owing to the Sunday school. He attacked the objection made to modern methods hindering the conversion of children. Ry modern methods is understood all the helps-illustrations, lesson papers, lesson comments, and kindred aids of Sunday school assemblies, congresses, institutes, &c. Now, if beand kindred aids of Sunday school assemblies, congresses, institutes, &c. Now, if being well informed and instructed in regard to what is taught in the school, so as to be able to give all aid necessary to understanding a Bible lesson is a hinderance, then the reverse must be true, and the more ignorant a Sabbath school teacher is the more capable he will be to instruct children in the way of life and salvation. Such an idea is ridiculous and absurd. If it were true, then "ignorance absurd. If it were true, then "ignorance would be the mother of devotion," and sure means through which to attain unto salvation. In order to rebut this most unreasona-ble of objections, he divided the Sunday school history into two periods. The first began in 1846, when statistics of the Sabbath school in 1846, when statistics of the Sabbata scaled were first kept, and continued up to 1867, about twenty-two years, when the new methods began to prevail. The second period was from 1847 to 1882, about fifteen years. In the first period there was an average attendance of 630,000 each year, and an average each year of 18,000 conversions, or one to every 36f, or 2f per cent of the whole number. During the second period of fifteen years there was an average attendance of 1,400,000 each year, and the average num per of conversions in the same time for each oer of conversions in the same time for each year was 69,000, or one to 201, or 5per cent. of the whole; or in the same time, or twenty-two years, the average conversions of children would be 100,000 per year. So that if any dependence can

be placed upon figures, the objection of improved methods being a hindranes to the conversion of children falls to the ground. Faithfulness in the right use of means was the grand essential to success. He alluded to an incident of a lady who asked the question at an institute, whether, after praying for and talking to a scholar for three years, there was any more use of praying. Should she was any more use of praying. Should she continue to pray. He answered yes, and illustrated it by the parable of the barren fig tree. "Let it alone this year also." After five years she had the pleasure of knowing that the object of her prayers and anxiety was hopefully converted to God. He closed by applying the incident of Wellington at Waterloo wishing and longing for Blucher to come, and described the difficulty Blucher to come, and described the dimenty finder had in getting his men to 'the field; that when they said it was impossible for them to go any further in the mud, he said, "I know, my children, it is impossible, yet it must be done." With that word they ressed their way to the field, won the battle, and changed the map of Europe. So, too, he said, we need a strong faith for the work to

be done in order to success: "A faith that laughs at impossibilities, And cries it shall be done." The anniversary closed with the singing of an appropriate hymn, and the benediction by Dr. Freeman.

A HEROIC YOUNG MOTHER.

She Has a Desperate Fight with a Crazy Servant Girl Who Attempts Murder-Her Baby's Skull Crushed.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Mar. 9.—A German servant girl named Catharine Metzgar, in the employ of Samuel May, at No. 2021 North Ninth street, made an attempt this morning to murder her mistress, Mrs. Lizzie May, and the latter's child. The servant got up in the middle of the night, went to the cellar and procured a hatchet, which she hid under the bed. At 5:30 this morning she alose again, and bending over Mrs. May, who was sleeping in bed, dealt her several blows on the head with the hatchet. Mrs. May's cries brought in a policeman, who promptly seized Catharine. In the meantime she had thrown a bottle at Mrs. May's eight-months' old son Edward, who was asleep in the crib beside the bed, and fractured his skull. It is believed that Mrs. May will recover from her injuries, but the infant will die. The girl, who came here from Germany three months ago, had only been a week in the employ of the May fam-ily. She is only 18 years old, and gives no other reason for the murderous assault than she was prompted for several days to Mrs. May's husband is out of town. It is

thought the girl is insane, as she claims that she was directed by some unseen power in a dream to murder the mother and babe. She has been committed to await the result of the

Later investigation shows that the mortal rounds inflicted upon the baby were acci-ental. It seems that the servant first seized her mistress by the hair as she lay sleeping beat her about the head with the bl and beat her about the head with the built end of the hatchet. A desperate struggle en-sued, during which Mrs. May wrenched the hatchet from Catharine's hand. The girl then seized a bottle of bay rum which stood on the bureau and flung it at Mrs. May. The missile missed its mark and struck the infant, Edward, who was asleep in the crib, breaking in his skull. The struggle between the two women was then recommenced and ended by Mrs. May throwing the servant out of the room and locking the door. Her cries brought the police. The girl then went to the bath room. washed the blood from the batched, and lay down in bed where the police found her. Mrs. May is a young woman and has been married about two years.

Detroyed by Fire.

BELLOWS FALLS, VT., Mar. 9 .- A fire here destroyed the building owned by the Bellows Falls Canal company; loss, \$15,000; no insurance; Osgood & Barker; loss, \$30,000; iusured for \$12,500. The Nermont Farm Machine company's loss is about \$45,000; insured for \$25,000.

DETROIT, Mar. 9.-J. R. Bennett & Co. drug story at Adrian was burned last night; loss, \$18,000; insurance, \$11,000. DENVER, CoL., Mar. 9.—A fire at Buena Vista early this morning destroyed a block of

toght buildings, including Heller & Halleck's bank. Loss, \$25,000.

DANVILLE, VA., Mar. 9.—The tobacco factories of W. T. Clark, W. F. Patton, and L. L. Strause, valued at \$18,000, were burned this morning; fully insured. The buildings morning; fully insured. The buildings were tenanted by eight firms, who lost stock and fixtures estimated at \$40,000; insured.

Railway Disasters.

Easton, Pa., Mar. 9 .- A Lehigh valley pas senger train ran into a team near Bound Brook, N. J. to-day, killing Peter A. and Abraham Voorhees, brothers, and injuring two other men named Cortlieu and Vandyne. The horses were killed and the wagon demol

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 9.—George Eck-horn, a brakeman, of Palisade avenue, was crushed to death between two cars on the Penusylvania railway last night.

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 9 .- David Rank, of Tremont, Schuylkill county, was arrested today for accepting an illegal fee for the collection of a pension. He was instrumental in obtaining a pension of about \$500, and it is alleged took \$100 from the service. He was given a hearing before a United States commissioner this afternoon and was

Bogardus Beats Carver. Sr. Louis, Mar. 9 .- The pigeon shooting

match between Capt. Bogardus and Dr. Carver, fifty double birds, twenty-one yards rise, Illi-nois state rules, for \$250 a side, came off this afternoon, and was won by Bogardus. score was 81 to 79. Bogardus killed the last ten birds straight.

Kentucky Republicans

LOUISVILLE, KY., Mar. 9.-The republican state central committee met here last evening and called the state convention to meet in Lexington, May 23.

An Example to be Followed.

Norratown Herald, The king of the Sandwich Islands locks imself in when he gets drunk. It would be well f some Americans were to imitate his example instead of going out in the highways and hyways. and offering to lick all creation, and occupying both sides of the street at one time.

DANGLING IN THE AIR.

Passage of a Few Murderers Into the Other World.

Dying on the Scaffold in Hopes of a Blissful Immortality.

NEW YORK, Mar. 9 .- McGloin and Majone vere hanged at 8:12 a. m. Both men were pronounced dead by the physicians at 8:22 a. m. Pasquale Majone awake from sleep at 5 o'clock this morning and dressed himself with care. McGloin had to be awakened half an hour later. Both men said they felt well. Last night the condemned men had expressed their intention of sitting up all night, but shortly after midnight they changed their minds and retired to bed. They seemed auxious to devote every moment of their few remaining hours to religious conversation and exercises with their spiritual advisors. After the condemned men had arisen Fathers Duranquet and Anacletus went to their cells and joined them in prayer. The men then went to the chapel in the prison to attend mass. To do so they had to pass under the gallows. McGloin bore the sight with firmness, but Majone burst forth in tears and buried his face in his handkerchief. A number of boys and women prisoners were gathered in the chapel where the mass was celebrated. Both the con-demned men attended to their devotions with the greatest apparent piety. Majone soted as clerk to Father Duranquet. Both men par-took of the holy sacrament. On their return from the chapel to their cells both men had again to pass beneath the gallows, but neither of them seemed to notice it.

THEY SPOKE A FEW WORDS of greeting to two acquaintances and some of the keepers on their way back to their cells, and their demeanor was calm and collected. Shortly after this they partook of breakfast with apparent relish, and McGloin conversed pleasantly with his counsel. He thanked him for his services and then bade him a last forcewell. The religious ministrations of the farewell. The religious ministrations of the clergymen were then resumed and continued up to the time when the sheriff and under sheriff announced that the hour had come for the reading of the condemned men's death warrants. Both men bore the terrible ordeal without flinching, and then the executioner appeared and fixed the fatal nooses about their necks and the black caps on their heads The religious exhortations were continued by the priests and joined in by both the con-demned. The executioner's assistants had already

ADJUSTED THE ROPES to the cross beam of the gallows, and the deputy sheriffs were drawn up in two lines, awaiting the appearance of the condemned men. The whispered words of "Here they come!" ran from lip to lip, and a moment later the procession, headed by Sheriff Davison, emerged from the prison into the yard at 8:09. Majone walked first, between two denuty sheriffs. By his side was Father Anadeputy sheriffs. By his side was Father Anacletus, holding a crucifix before him. The

saints in a loud and clear voice. Close behind him came McGloin, erect and with firm, elastic step, also attended by two deputy sheriffs, and with Father Duranquet by his side. His head was bowed and his face blanched, but his mouth was set firmly, and from his lips came in a low, mumbling tone a repetition of the litany. Both men were dressed in neat black suits. The walk was brief and the

GALLOWS SOON REACHED. McGloin took his position to the left facing the double line of deputy sheriffs, with Majone on the right. At a word from the priests both fell on their knees and prayed aloud together with the priests for about a minute. They arose and the crucifixes were held to their lips and both kissed them, McGloin their lips and both kissed them, McGloin doing so three or four times as though clinging to this last act of his life. The hangman approached, and while their lips yet maved in prayer, placed the black cap over their heads and the nooses were drawn and fastened to the rope. Both stood firmly without a tremor as Under Sheriff Stevens dropped his handkerchief. The noise of a heavy fall was heard, a brief wheezing of pulleys, and the two murderers shot up above the heads of the two murderers shot up above the heads of the spectators. At 8:12 the drop fell, three minutes after the prisoners entered the yard. DEATH WAS INSTANTANEOUS,

the necks of both being dislocated by the re the air and dropped back hardly a foot, but the fall was enough to dislocate the vertebre of the spinal column. Neither suffered for an instant. Strangulation was also produced. There was no indication of a struggle on the There was no indication of a struggle on the part of Majone beyond a slight heaving of his chest and a swaying of the body, caused by muscular centortions. In thirty seconds he hung limp and lifeless. McGloin's body swing back and forth for fully two minutes as his limbs were drawn up and his body doubled in the unconscious death struggle. breast heaved and his hands, that were folded when the rope was cut, opened AND SHUT CONVULSIVELY.

Gradually his struggles ceased. In two min-utes all was over. At 8:22 both men were pronounced practically dead. They were lowered at 8:34 o'clock. McGlioin's body was im-mediately taken to his parents' residence on Twenty-ninth street, and Majone's to an un dertaker's shop on Park street. The former will be buried on Sunday and the latter to-morrow. But very few spectators were permitted to be present, and the details of the execution were carried out without a single mishap Excellent order was maintained, and the ar Excellent order was maintained, and the arrangements were all perfectly devised and carried out. A large force of police surrounded the tombs, and kept at a distance the large crowd of people assembled around it.

A COLORED MURDEBER'S DEATH. CLAYTON, ALA., Mar. 9.—Bob Cochran, colored, convicted at the special term of circuit court in this (Barbour) county, in February, for the murder of Mr. L. Drew, near this place, was hanged here to-day. The gallows was creeted a half mile from the court house, and inclosed by a board wall. The hanging was witnessed only by officials and represent-atives of the press. Having caten heartily atives of the press. Having caten heartily and taken a drink of whisky, he lit a cigar and, surrounded by the guard, took his seat on the coffin, and was driven to the gallows. He confessed his guilt in a firm voice, and be-sought the negroes to regard the whites as their best friends, &c. The trap was sprung at 1:20, and the culprit was dead in lifteen minutes. His body was turned over to the parties to whom the condemned man had

A Big Draining Scheme.

It is said that there has been a definite bareain made between a company of New England capitalists and the Mexican government by the terms of which the company is to un dortake to drain the great basid in which the City of Mexico is situated, and take the re-claimed land for payment. It is further stated that Dr. George B. Loring, who is one of the company of capitalists, called on the Mexican minister yesterday—the day fixed for depositing \$200,000 as guarantee on the part of the company—and arranged to have the time for making the deposit extended to the twenty-sixth.

No Hurry to Go Home.

The postoffice of the house is a place where nembers who are going out of town call and order their mail sent home. Postmaster Sherwood says they are not hurrying away this year, though some who live within a day's ride have been home and returned to finish up their work. There are about a hundred still

In accordance with authority granted by he last congress, the lighthouse board has leased the property at Hallett's Point, Hell Gate, New York harbor, selected as a site for the new electric light tower, the execution of which will soon be commenced,

The Electric Light for Hell Gate.

Georgia Politics.

A private letter received in this city from a prominent Georgia republican states that Hon. Jesse Wimberly, of Burke county, will probably be the republican nomines for governor in the event that two democratic candidates enter the field, as now seems proba prominent Georgia republican states that

nble. Col. Wimberly stated last night that under no circumstances would be make the race, but he proposed to go home and heartily support Hon. Emery Speer, Judge William Gibson, Hon. R. L. McWhorter, or any other available independent democrat. Ho is fully persuaded that the true policy for southern republicans to pursue is that outlined by Time NATIONAL REPUBLICAN, and so approach the contract of the contract able. Col. Wimberly stated last night that NATIONAL REPUBLICAN, and so successfully consummated by Gen. Mahone in Virginia.

A BIG BLAZE.

Clifton, a Residence Back of Oak Hill, Destroyed by Fire-Brilliant Illumination of the Heavens.

Last night Clifton, the summer residence of Mr. James Elverson, publisher of the Philadelphia Saturday Night, situated on the heights immediately in the rear of Oak Hill cometery, was totally destroyed by fire. The house was a two story frame dwelling of handsome design, and was occupied by Mrs. Bettie Webb, a sister of Mr. Eiverson, and her four children. About 9:30 p. m. Duvall Webb discovered that the building was on fire in the eastern end, and immediately on ire in the eastern chains an innecesty gave the slarm. The flames spread rapidly and the occupants only escaped with the gar-ments they were wearing and a few trifling household articles. Engine No. 5 and truck B were promptly on hand, but owing to the scarcity of water the firemen were compelled to confine their efforts to saving the barn and outbuildings.

The loss on the building was \$8,000, on

personal property unknown. Some time since an insurance policy of \$10,000 on the property ran out, but it was not renewed, so the loss is total. The fire, it is supposed, was of incen-diary origin. The reflection of the fire illu-minated the northwestern heavens magnificently, and crowds of people lined the streets and avenues here enjoying the spectacle, and wondering where the fire was.

An old darkey, who was of an inquiring disposition, was very eager to find out where

the fire was 'Whar dat flah, boss?" he inquired of a

REPUBLICAN reporter.
"What fire?" was the replying query.
"Wi, don' you see dat ar' fish 'flected in Fire! Why that's no fire; that's Wiggins's

storm coming."

"Grate lo'd a massy! Dis yer nigger gulneter to git shelter!"

And he rushed off with all the kinks coming out of his hair and the entire capillary substance assuming a perpendicular position. Numerous other individuals of a superstitious nature were alarmed at what they thought was a precursor of the Kanuck's storm, and watched the supposed coming death with

A JOB FOR MR. ROUNDS.

blanched faces.

Big Work at the Government Printing Office-A Pension Book-New Floors-Appropriations-Fire Escapes.

The work of printing a complete list of pensioners, growing out of Mr. Beck's resolution adopted by the senate last December, is now fairly under way at the government printing office. The senate resolution called on Commissioner Dudley to furnish a list of the name and postoffice address of each pen-sioner, together with the annual rate of pension, date of original allowance, and cause for which pension is allowed in each case. Some idea of the magnitude of this com-pilation, and of the labor in preparing and printing this list, may be found from the

figures given below. The names, postoffice address, &c., of 295,-000 pensioners will appear in the work when finished, filling six volumes of about 750 pages Nineteen hundred copies will be printed, at

Nineteen hundred copies will be printed, at an estimated cost to the government, for printing alone, of \$57,700. The work will probably be finished by the public printer about the first of July.

Congress ordered \$419,000 worth of work at the government printing office and appropriated only \$220,000. The balance will have to come out of the general fund. Entire new floors are to be put in the building which will cost \$5,000 at least. Mr. Rounds is about organizing all the hands into a fire brigade. The women are to be put into fire sections, and every arrangement made to secure the The women are to be put into fire sections, and every arrangement made to secure the office against a panic in case of fire. Iron stairways have been erected on the west side and others are to follow. Standpipes and fireescapes have been up in the court yard, and lines of hose will be placed on each floor connecting with the standpipes so that the water can be turned on in an instant in case of fire in any story.

of fire in any story. AN ATTEMPTED OUTRAGE.

The Man Not Arrested Although the Po lice Are On the Lookout.

A colored girl named Dollie Moxley, employed in the government printing office, and residing on K street between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, yesterday swore out a warrant against a waiter at the Hamilton ouse named Gosken Loudon, charging him with outraging her a few nights ago. Lieut. Greer's officers were instructed to look out for Loudon, but up to a late hour last night he Loudon, but up to a late hour last night he had not been apprehended. A REPUBLICAN reporter called at the house where Miss Mox-ley rooms last night, and was told that she was out, and would not be in until late. Three reporters watched the house for some time, but saw nothing of her.

On inquiry at the Hamilton house THE REPUBLICAN was told that Loudon called there vesterday morning and told the elerk of

there yesterday morning and told the clerk of the hotel that he had had a fuss with his girl and he had to clear out. In the afternabout 4 o'clock he stole in and secured

about 4 o'clock he stole in and secured his clothes and skipped.

Loudon, it is said, took the girl to a party the other night, but before going drove to one of the cemeteries, and while there made the attempt spoken of above. He placed a revolver to her head, and informed her that if she made any outcry he would kill her. The girl has acted very queerly ever since the outrage, not seeming to care whether the man was arrested or not.

Irish Distress.

arrested or not.

The aid committee of the Clan-na-Gael, organized in December last for the purpose of collecting money and other relief for the famine-stricken people of Ireland, and whose meetings take place every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in Clan-na-Gael hall, when contributions are received and relief forwarded, re-ceived through its treasurer the following let-

ceived inrough its treasurer the ionowing letter:

Mayo Abbry, Ballyglass, Feb. 23, 1883.—My Bear Sir: I beg to acknowledge with grateful thanks your kind letter containing check, the contribution of the Clan-na Gael committee toward the relief of the most destinate of this parish. The amount will be carefully distributed among the worst cases which, I am sorry to say, are increasing daily. During my mission, which extends nearly over thirty years, I have never seen the poor mani! isndholders suffer more keenly than they have since November last, and those who witnessed the misery of 46 and 47 declare that similar scenes are inevitable this year, as the government seems cruelly callous in the matter. I know numbers in this parish who have no seed to put in the ground nor provisions sufficient for one month, and almost all the rural parishes of the west have the same sad tale to reste. In a few days I shall send your committee the names of those relieved out of your contribution, with further particulars.

Sincerely thanking yourself and committee for your tituely aid, and invoking God's blessing on your labors, I remain yours faithfully.

Partick Sheridan.

Lamber Belliew, Esq.

The Paynell branch of the Irish National

The Parnell branch of the Irish National and League of St. Aloysius parish, of which Mr. W. H. Murphy is president; Daniel Grady, corresponding secretary; Edward Pur-cell, financial secretary, and Dennis Connell, treasurer, has turned over the funds on hand, \$37.50, for the relief of the existing distress in Ireland, to be sent through the aid committee of the Clan-na-Gael association.

An Enjoyable Sotree.

The soired by Prof. T. E. Phipps at St. Joseph's hall last evening was a most delightful occasion. Among the merry dancers were Mrs. J. E. Cooper, Mrs. L. H. Cogswell, Misses Stevens, Miles, Crapp, Smith, Stepper, Ritter, Perrote, Brown, Bellew, Wilkenson, and Slingland.

SOCIAL GOSSIP.

A Few Society Items Picked Up During the Lenten Season.

First Comptroller and Mrs. Lawrence have the decree of the council of state, are that she could not produce the written permission of her parents to reside in the canton, and had refused to undergo a police interrogation on Sanday morning. The reason assigned for Miss Booth's expulsion is that she could not at a moment's notice produce an account of a collection which was made two months ago at had a number of guests from Ohio visiting them, among others, their daughter, Mrs. Miller, and her lovely little girl. Thursday the little one was taken very ill, but was some better last evening.

Mr. Alpheus King, formerly of Washington, but for several years the proprietor of the Magnolia Spring house, Va., has recently re-turned to this city and settled in his new res-idence on Ninth street. His mother, Mrs. Henrietta King, and headaughter, Mrs. Heu-ling, will leave the first of April for North Carolina and swend the summer at Space. Carolina, and spend the summer at mountain, five miles from the residence of Senator Vance. Mr. Henling will join them there and continue his scientific studies.

Judge George B. Edmonds, brother of the new commissioner, has been at Ashland, N. C., some time, hoping by a change of climate to regain his health.

Mrs. Judge Swasey, late of Boston, now lo-cated at No. 937 Rhode Island avenue, gave a dinner party on Wednesday in honor of her guest, Miss R. E. Baker, daughter of George A. Baker, of Boston, the amateur dramatic author, also well known in connection with the publishing house of Lee & Shepherd.

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Miss Sophie Townsend, a member of the Women's Literary society of Boston, Mass., will real an assay on "The Ancient Theatre" before the Classical society at Miss Ransom's studio, 015 F street, Monday night.

Mrs. Hartshorn, of Providence, R. I., who was a pleasant addition to Washington society this winter, has returned to her native city.

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ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS.

Capt. Merrill has purchased one-sixty-fourth interest of the schooner S. M. Bird from Harvey Schriver's trustee in Baltimore, and now owns two-sixty-fourths of that ves-sel. Two-sixty-fourths of the schooner James

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Boyce, jr., have been sold by Gen. Hooper, of
Brattleboro, Vt., to George K. Chase, of New
York, for \$1,818.75.

Business along the wharves is brisk, denoting an early spring opening. Several vessels are discharging cargoes, and Capt. Hooe
is leading a large vessel with wheat for Riehmond.

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Fruit growers in this vicinity think that abundant crops of all kinds of fruit will be raised this year, as the fruit buds are now sound. Fruit planting in Virginia has been large for the past three years, and nursery men have larger orders than usual for spring trade which will require all the stock on trade, which will require all the stock on hand suitable for spring planting. Planters have learned not to use foreign trees, but to insist on domestic growth, which is exempt from "yellows" in peaches, "phyloxera" in grapes, and root insects in apples and pears.

On Feb. 28 last the postmaster at Garfield, Va., discovered that two letters were missing from the letter box in the office. Upon reflection he knew there was but one person in the office from the time the letters missed until the loss was discovered. March 1 he put two letters in the same box and watched the suspected party, assisted by his wife in an adjoining room, in the door of which was a glass through which she watched. Upon one of the letters was a three cent stamp, and upon the other two 3-cent stamps. In a short time the suspected man (whose name is William Hunter, colored, about 18 years of age) came into the office, and, assuring himself that no one was watching, with the aid of two small sticks fished out two letters. The postmaster's wife fished out two letters. The postmaster's wife then went into the office and accused him of the theft, which he indignantly denied; but after much hesitation he handed the letters over, having had them concealed in his coat sleeve. He was taken before a justice of the peace, who held him for a further hearing. In the meantime Inspec-tors Henderson and Smith investigated the matter and seeing it was purely a postoffice

matter and seeing it was purely a postoffice offense had the case transferred to the United States authority, and the prisoner was brought to this city and examined Friday afternoon before United States Commissioner Fowler. He was committed in default of \$500 bail to appear at the July term of the United States court held in this city.

Thomas Sealock, a farmer owning 470 acres of land near Linden station on the Manassas division of the Virginia Midland Railway in

Fauquier county, was in this city Friday and displayed some fine specimens of copper ore taken from his land. The owner has sunk a shaft eight fest deep following a vein of ore, and at that depth the vein has developed to a thickness of feat. now being assayed by parties in Washington. Much interest is manifested in the county in regard to the title of Arlington being se-cured by the United States, which they ex-pect will cause the location of an experimental farm under the agricultural depart-ment, to be established on that part not used

as a national cemetery.

Hon. W. W. Berry, G. W. C. T., of the state, addressed the regular meeting of the Reform

club last night.

EAST WASHINGTON. The ladies of Anacostia are making preparations on a grand scale to give a gift entertainment at McCauley's hall for charitable purposes. It will take place on the twenty-

eighth instant.

Mr. Charles Britt, the young man who cloped with the wife of a Prince George county farmer named McCaffrey, said last evening that he was coaxed into the matter by Mrs. McCaffrey, who is old enough to be his grandmother.

Very few arrests have been made by the East Washington police during the past week. The arrests made were principally for drunk-It is reported that there are several se cases of scarlet fever in this section of the

city.

The reflection of the fire last night was mistaken by an old colored man for Wiggins's storm en route, and he stood on East Capitol street and gazed at the scene with apparent horror.

The Geneva correspondent of the London

Times writes: "It may be doubted whether Gen." Booth was well advised in sending hither a detachment of his famous army or that it will meet with the success that the supposed evangelical character of Geneva may led him to anticipate. The expedition was commanded by a jeune fille, (a young girl), who called herself la marechale. She had who caused netwern the marcane. She had under her orders two young girls and two men, (one of whom, with two of the ladies, has since gone to Nouchatel), and sho appeared on a platform and spoke in fluent French with all the self-possession and more than the eloquence of a veteran pastor of the National church. The horror of all this may be imagined when it is remembered that at Geneva it is not considered comme il taut for a young girl to take the shortest walk unac-companied by her bonne, to shake hands with a male cousin in the street, or speak in society without first being spoken to. I cannot put without first being spoken to. I cannot put into words the verdict a Genevan matron passes on young girls who travel about with men who are neither their fathers nor brothers, while the sight of a joune fille in uniform distributing pamphlets or canvass-ing for converts seems to her something more and worse than a gross violation of propriety. "Ils tomberont sous le ridicule, said pe

"'Ils tomberont sous le ridicule,' said peo-ple to each other. But somehow or other they were not killed by ridicule. Their meetings were well attended; everybody said that Col. Citbborn spoke extremely well pour un Anglais; Miss Booth was declared to be a tres belle fille; she charmed her auditors, es-pecially those of the male sex, by the sweet-ness of her voice and the gracefulness of her restures, and converts began to enlist under gestures, and converts began to enlist under the salvation banner. Then opposition arose; the meetings were disturbed by brawlers, who sang ribald songs and drowned the voices of the speakers in yells and greans. The au-thorities refused to interfere—at any rate they did not interfere—and as a measure of self-protection the salvationists allowed to be present at their meetings only those who were resent at their meetings only those who were furnished with tickets, which could be obtained at the headquarters in the Longemalle. This insured quiet inside, but it did not insure quiet outside. The building in which the salvationists met was beset every night with bands of rioters, who husfied, bespattered with mid and even stoned the and

ure to the following programme: Overture, 'Taucredi," Rossini, J. W. Bischoff; "Waltz "Taucredi," Rossini, J. W. Bischoff; "Waltz Song," Torry, Mrs. Allen; "The Stormy Petrel," F. Boott, Mr. George Prevost; "The Return," Millard, Miss Belle Britton; cavatini, Le Favorita, Donizetti, Miss Mac Rogers; "Waiting," (by request) Millard, Miss Nellie Magill; "Carnival de Venice," Benedict, Miss Moody; aria, Martha, Flotow, Mrs. Powell; "Low, Hear the Gentle Lark," Bishop, Miss Maddox; aria and rondo, La Sonnambula, Bellini, Mmc. Kappar; "The Hunter's Song," Kucken, Miss Britton, Mrs. Powell. par; "The Hunter's Britton, Mrs. Powell.

Miss Booth's secretary, was expelled from the canton of Geneva at six hours' notice; and Miss Booth shared the same fate. The grounds

of Miss Charlesworth's expulsion, as stated in the decree of the council of state, are that she

BISCHOFF'S CONCERT.

Congregational Church Crowded and an

Excellent Programme Rendered.

packed house listened with applauding pleas-

At Prof. Bischoff's concert, last night, a

a meeting of the salvation army.

The singers were all encored, Miss Maddox, Miss Mad Rogers, and Mrs. Kasper being twice called out after responding to the encore. Miss Maddox sang, upon her recall, "Some-body's Coming," with much effect. Mrs. Kas-per, who is a favorite with Washington andiper, who is a favorite with Washington audunces, rendered in exquisite style aria and rondo from "La Somnambula," which was enthusiastically received. To the encore she responded with "The Star-Spangled Banner," her tact in the selection being as much admired as her smooth, full voice and exquisite singing. Miss Mae Rogers, whose excellent rendition of "Mia Fernando," from "La Favorita," accompanied by Prof. Bischoff with full orchestral movement of the organ, was an full orchestral movement of the organ, was an agreeable surprise to the most of the audience, responded to the encore with "The Last Rose of Summer," showing in each selection a voice of excellent good quality, which is capable of great development.

Local Items.

The alarm of fire from box 212, at 6:30 p. m. yesterday, was caused by the overturning of a stove in the second story of house No. of a stove in the second story of house No. 1510 Twelfth street. The fire department arrived promptly and averted a large conflagration after a damage of \$25 had been involved. The house was owned by August Heitmuller, and occupied by Frances Murphy.

Officer Bailey yesterday arrested Charles Chase for assault on Annie Clark. Charles will inform the court this morning why he used Annie, for muscular development in-

used Annie for muscular development atead of an uncomplaining sandbag.

At the Baltimore Dental college commencement Thomas O. Hills, jr., of this city, a son of Dr. Thomas O. Hills, was awarded a third prize, dental engine, and first premium, set of

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forceps.

Hattie Wilson, a fair but frail dame, who resides in the division, was arrested by Officer Bailey yesterday afternoon for making threats toward Mary Plitt, another classic maiden. She was released on \$100 bonds to appear at the police court to-day.

Before the Classical society next Monday night at Miss Ransom's studio Miss Sophie T. Townsend will deliver an essay on "The Ancient Greek Theater."

The Little Opera company, composed of Mrs. Nellie McCartee, Messrs. John O. Pugh, E. B. Hay, and W. H. Daniel, with Mr. John P. Sonsa as director, will shortly give a subscription performance at Willard hall. "Penclope," which was so well received last year, will be given, and also a new operetta. It's a boy. It came into the Doolan family a day or two ago and made Patrick and his wife feel as happy as a big sunflower.

The Registered Drug Clerks' association held its regular monthly meeting last night at the college hall. Several active and honorary members were elected. It was decided to commence the prosecution of unregistered pharmacists the first of April, and a committee was appointed for that purpose. The association at its bext meeting will discuss the

pharmacists the lifts of April, and a commit-tee was appointed for that purpose. The as-sociation at its next meeting will discuss the question of closing all drug stores at 10 o'elock. Rev. J. W. Phillips, rector of Grace P. E. church, officiates Sunday morning, his sub-ject being especially selected for the edificaject being especially selected for the edifica-tion of the Sunday school children. Mr. Phillips, who is a learned divine, is an able instructor of the doctrines of the Episcopal faith. The adults will find it of great inter-est to be present upon the occasion. The new choir, recently selected from the best local talent of the city, will render appro-

ocal talent of the city, will render appro printe music Mr. Sandford, of the firm of Ross & Sandford, the contractors, has a large force of men on the work of improving the flats. Two lo-comotive engines and forty dumping cars have been received. Work was be Thursday at the southern extremity proposed improvement, nearly off the mouth of the eastern branch, with three pile drivers and one mud digger. The contractors will push the work with double gangs of men, day and night.

The commissioners were yesterday in con-sultation in regard to the matter of the fish wharf, the sale of which was published in THE REPUBLICAN a day or two ago. It seems that the purchaser became uneasy because the fish dealers told him they would

cause the fish dealers told him they would sell where they pleased. The commissioners have decided to protect the purchaser of the privilege and compel the dealers to comply with the regulation as to fish.

At the Union chapel, Mount Pleasant, the Rev. E. Whittlesey will preach to-morrow. Next Sunday Rev. W. W. Curry will occupy the pulpit. On Easter Sunday the sermon will be preached by Rev. F. D. Power, and on April 1 Rev. Arthur Foster will officiate.

There will be a juvenile polo game at the rink this afternoon, which promises to be exceedingly interesting. On Monday night the Baltimore Polo club will make a visit to the rink.

rink. ALL persons afflicted with Dyspepsia, Diarrhora, Colic, and all kinds of indigestions, will find immediate relief and sure cure by using

Angostura Bitters. The only genuine is manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

PERSONAL. James W. Abbott, of Colorado, is at the Hamil

Dr. James L. Cooper, of Texas, is at the St. J. A. Sherman, a well-to-do New Yorker, is at Hon. George L. Damon, of Boston, is at the Ebbitt.

Among the guests at the Ebbitt house is the Hon. James M. Cross, of Rhode Island. G. A. Damon and wife, of Boston, are at the R. H. Allen and family. of New York, are at the

W. J. Lamberton and wife, of Pennsylvania, are at the St. James. William E. Church, a prominent New Jerseyite, is at the Hamilton.

Col. J. G. Tilford, U. S. A.; Mrs. Tilford, and Master and Miss Tilford are at the Hamilton Rev. Dr. Morgan, Miss Morgan, A. A. Plant and wife, J. H. Crane, New York; Ed Waddell, Vir-ginia, are at the Arlington.

Hon, H. A. P. Carter, the new Hawaiian minis-ter, has taken rooms at the Hamilton house, and will continue the legation there. S. B. Redwood, J. N. Winslow, Peter Main, Misa Main, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Gerard, New York; S. F. Biodle, Cheyenne, are at Wormley's.

T. F. Thornton, Fort Wayne; Jos. Beekman and wife, New York: A. P. Auslin, and M. Fairbanks, Eimira, N. Y., are at the St. James hotel.

J. J. Elliott, Winnipeg, Manitobs; B. E. Northrup, H. L. Cosgill, Canada; J. T. Lovall, S. R. Miller, Virginia; I. W. Humphrey and wife, North Carolina, are at the National.

George R. Peck, Kausas; Mr. and Mrs. E. Buck-ingham and daughters, Chicago; William Preston Johnston ison of the laic Gen. Albert Sidney John-ston), New Orleans, are at the Riggs.

Mrs. R. W. Hunter and family, Virginia; W. S. Webster, agent Cushnan and Leon minstrels; W. M. Wilkinson, agent Hess Opera company; F. Tuvino, Mexico: Hon. T. W. Falmer, senator elect; D. U. Bell, collector of the port, Detrois, and J. M. Stepard, all of Michigan, are at the National.

This insured quiet inside, but it did not insure quiet outside. The building in which the salvationists met was beset every night with bands of rioters, who hustled, bespattered with mud, and even stoned the audience as the latter went in and came out.

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National.

C. A. Sneibacher, Chillicothe, O.; S. Mattack, Kansas; H. H. Gilman, Boston; Fred A. Lord, Tennesses; B. F. Sing, Alabaria; Frank P. Rue, California; Jas. Moore, Cinciunati, O.; Geo. W. Shilber, New York; R. T. McNeal, Illinois; J. B. While, New York; R. T. McNeal, Illinois; J. B. Shilber, New York; R. T. McNeal, Illinois; J. B. Moore, Cinciunati, O.; Geo. W. Shilber, New York; R. T. McNeal, Illinois; J. B. Shilber, New York; R. T. McNeal, Illinois; J. Shilb